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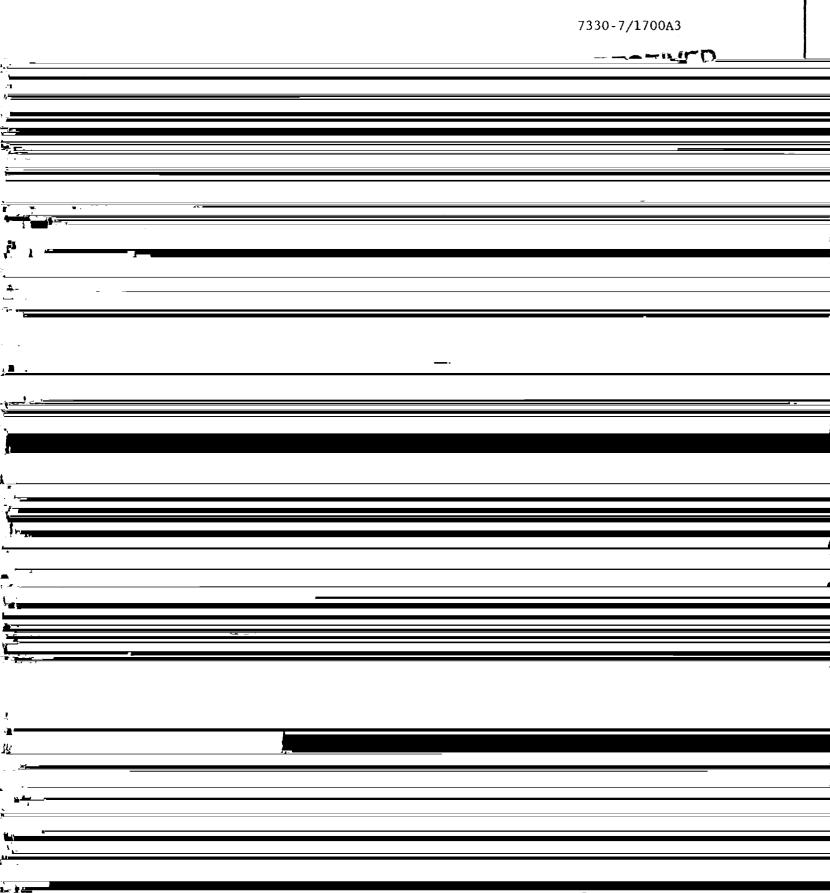
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Mr. James H. Quello Acting Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Quello:

I am writing in response to numerous letters and calls from constituents who are avid radio-controlled model airplane users. They are concerned that FCC proposed rules on Docket No. 92-235, designed to allow more users onto frequencies in the range below 512 MHz, will make their planes unsafe to operate due to the potential for interference.

While emerging technologies and the proliferation of communication devices place high demands on the available spectrum, moving too quickly to restrict use in certain frequencies and requiring narrow-band technology devices can pose undue hardships for thousands of radio operators. I am concerned that these rules may make millions of dollars worth of equipment prematurely obsolete.

In considering these proposed rules, I understand that the Commission has been in contact with representatives of the model airplane industry. I hope that you will carefully weigh the economic impact on those who manufacture and sell model airplanes, the thousands of hobbyists who have invested a great deal in their equipment, and the concerns of other radio users in these frequencies, including police, fire and other mobile operators, who should be assured of reliable communications.

Thank you for your consideration. I would appreciate any comments you may have.

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Member of Congress